

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations GUBERNATORIAL PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, credit unions are individual, independent cooperatives founded by people working together towards economic advancement, uniting people seeking a way to improve their future; and

WHEREAS, credit unions call for the pooling of personal resources and leadership abilities for the good of the cooperative, encourage a regular habit of saving so those in need may borrow, and foster the desire to repay loans so members may have access to credit when it is required; and

WHEREAS, credit unions empower people to improve their economic situations in 24 credit unions currently serving the financial needs of 324,000 members in Rhode Island, associated through local, state, regional, and international organizations sharing the same commitment to serving credit union members;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lincoln D. Chafee, Governor of the State of Rhode Island, do hereby proclaim January 27, 2011, as: *Credit Union Day* and encourage all citizens to recognize the many contributions credit unions have made to the communities in this state, both tangible and intangible, through the years, and honor and express appreciation for the service and commitment of Rhode Island's credit unions.



Given under my hand and the great seal of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, this 20th day of January, 2011

Lincoln D. Chafed

Governor

A. Ralph Mollis Secretary of State